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The number of job vacancies in Australia decreased by 0.4 per cent in the November 2019 quarter, and 2.3 per cent over the year, according to new trend figures from the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Bruce Hockman, Chief Economist at the ABS, said "The decline in job vacancies over the year was driven by a 4.0 per cent decrease in private sector job vacancies."

In seasonally adjusted terms, the number of job vacancies increased by 1.6 per cent in the November 2019 quarter and fell by 0.9 per cent over the year.

"The quarterly increase in the seasonally adjusted data partly reflects some businesses bringing forward recruitment from February to November," Mr Hockman said.

In original series terms, the Australian Capital Territory experienced the strongest percentage growth in vacancies over the year, while the largest percentage decrease occurred in the Northern Territory.

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